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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR. § 1.53(b))

(Continuation, Divisional or Continuation-in-part application)

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Sir: This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 CFR. § 1.53(b) in the name of inventor:
Sundar AMARTUR

For: **IN-SITU DETECTION OF THIN-METAL INTERFACE USING OPTICAL INTERFERENCE VIA A
DYNAMICALLY UPDATED REFERENCE**

This application is a Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part

of prior Application No.: 09/812,535, from which priority under 35 U.S.C. §120 is claimed.

Application Elements:

- 37 Pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract
- 14 Sheets of Informal Drawings
- 02 Pages of Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
 - Newly executed (original or copy)
 - Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d) for a continuation or divisional).
The entire disclosure of the prior application from which a copy of the declaration is herein supplied is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
 - Deletion of inventors Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

Accompanying Application Parts:

- Assignment and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet (recording fee of \$40.00 enclosed)
- Power of Attorney
- 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement by Assignee
- Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449 Copies of IDS Citations
- Preliminary Amendment (*New claims numbered after highest original claim in prior application.*)
- Return Receipt Postcard
- Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)
- Other:

Extension of Time for Prior Pending Application

- A Petition for Extension of Time is being concurrently filed in the prior pending application. A copy of the Petition for Extension of Time is attached.

Amendments

- Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: "This is a
 Continuation Continuation-in-part Divisional
application of copending prior
 Application No. _____ filed on _____,
 International Application _____ filed on _____ which
designated the United States,
the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference."
- Cancel in this application original claims _____ of the prior application before
calculating the filing fee. (*At least one original independent claim must be retained.*)

Fee Calculation (37 CFR § 1.16)

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BASIC FEE			\$370	\$	OR	\$740
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Check No. 5936 in the amount of \$780.00 is enclosed.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees beyond the amount enclosed which may be required,
or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. LAM2P253.CIP1).

Request for Small Entity Status

Applicant is entitled to small entity status.

General Authorization for Petition for Extension of Time (37 CFR §1.136)

Applicants hereby make and generally authorize any Petitions for Extensions of Time as may be needed
for any subsequent filings. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any extension fees under 37 CFR
§1.17 as may be needed to Deposit Account No. 50-0805.(Order No. LAM2P253.CIP1)

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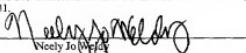
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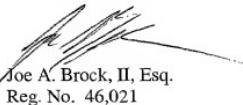

Neely J. WertheimerREQUEST AND CERTIFICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b).

Respectfully submitted,
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